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For: POWDERS, FLAKES, OR PELLETS
CONTAINING SALTS OF α -SULFO FATTY
ACID ALKYL ESTERS IN HIGH
CONCENTRATIONS, PROCESS FOR
PRODUCTION THEREOF, GRANULATED
DETERGENTS, AND PROCESS FOR
PRODUCTION THEREOF

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

The following preliminary amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

This amendment includes:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.